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## Okla. Baptists Dedicate New Headquarters

Oklahoma Baptists have completed their new state headquarters building in Oklahoma City and formal dedication services were held Thursday, June 29.

The building is four stories, constructed of Bedford limestone, trimmed with granite, brightened by aluminum, and interior corridors are

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## Hallford Questions Infant Baptism

By R. F. HALLFORD

Since so many people believe in and practice "infant baptism," and apparently believe that the Bible teaches it, surely we want to know whether or not they are correct. If so we Baptists should begin the practice of it. If not then we Baptists should not do so.

### Household Baptism Examined

What we mean by the term "household baptisms" is a case in which every member of a household is baptized, as occurred on a number of occasions in the New Testament.

The argument of infant baptism advocates is that it would be unthinkable to suppose that there was not a single infant in all those household baptisms which we find in the New Testament record. However there is no mention of infants in any of

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## A STATEMENT OF POLICY

By CHESTER L. QUARLES  
Executive Secretary

The Executive Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board at its quarterly meeting, July 3, 1950, at the Baptist Building, instructed me to make a statement outlining the policy of the Board concerning grants of Building and Pastoral Aid between Board meetings and supply a copy of this policy to those making applications as well as to those whose applications are already on file on which no action has been taken.

The statement of policy is simply this: No applications for Building or Pastoral Aid made by the churches between the meetings of the annual Mississippi Board will be granted except those that are deemed as applications because of definite emergencies. An emergency implies that a building has been destroyed by fire, or storm, or some other unforeseen emergency has arisen.

## Executive Committee Holds Quarterly Meeting

WILL PURCHASE LATEST IN BOOKKEEPING MACHINE



PROF. R. E. WOLSELEY

With all members present on July 3 for the regular quarterly meeting, the Executive Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board voted \$1,000 emergency aid for Anding Church to help replace their building which was blown off the foundation by a storm several months ago. The funds are to be paid "when and if surplus State Mission Funds are available."

The committee also instructed Secretary Quarles to prepare a statement outlining the policy of the Board concerning granting of Building and Pastoral Aid between Board meetings.

(This statement has been prepared and will be found on page one.)

Other actions of the committee included: Instructing the chairman of the Executive Committee, Dr. J. D. Ray, to appoint a Social Service Commission to serve until the next Board meeting (because at the last Board meeting this matter was overlooked); authorized a mail vote by the Board members concerning the special request of the BSU Department for additional funds for the remainder of this convention year; authorized the purchase of a flat-bed accounting machine and designated Executive Secretary Quarles as Secretary of Evangelism and "in that capacity to be in full charge of our program of Evangelism."

The committee had before it several requests for Church Building and Pastoral Aid. Not being emergencies, the committee took no action, leaving the requests for later consideration by the Convention Board.

The Baptist Foundation was authorized to pay to the First Church, Oxford, whenever requested, the \$20,000 which is deposited with the Foundation to the credit of the Oxford Church.

Full statistical information will be included in the Convention Annual if the Convention Board concurs with the Executive Committee "that we look favor on full statistical information being included in our annual."

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Dr. F. K. Horton, pastor of the Clarksdale Church, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour on July 16.

He will be heard over the following stations: at 8 a. m. over WHBQ, Memphis; WRBC, Jackson; WRJW, Picayune; at 2 p. m. over WSLI, Jackson, and at 9 a. m. over WLOX, Biloxi and WROB, West Point.

## Writers' Week Begins Aug. 3 at Ridgecrest

August 3-9 are the dates for this year's annual Writers' Conference at Ridgecrest. The conference is sponsored by the Division of Editorial Service of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Dr. Clifton J. Allen, editorial secretary of the Board, announces a program which will serve the needs of all.

Among experts in their field who will take part is Roland E. Wolseley, Professor of Journalism, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York. His subject will be "Seeking Professional Standards in Christian Journalism." Other persons on the program are: Porter Routh, secretary of the Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information at the Baptist Sunday School Board; Rev. Albert McClellan, Director of Publications of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention; Miss Marie Campbell, teacher and author, of Carrollton, Georgia; Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Armstrong of Springfield, Missouri. Mr. Armstrong is a professional writer and a contributor to the Reader's Digest, and Mrs. Armstrong was until recently Miss Marjorie Moore, assistant editor of the Foreign Mission Board's publication, *The Commission*.

Each morning a period will be devoted to "Opportunities in Christian Journalism," with sessions on "Denominational Journals," "Religious News in the Secular Press," and other topics. "Helps for Christian Writers" is the general title of another daily

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## S. S. BOARD GETS GLORIETA ASSEMBLY SITE DEED



The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention conveyed title to Glorieta Assembly to the Baptist Sunday School Board in a recent joint session of the two groups. Actual presentation of the property was made by Mr. George Fraser, Washington, D. C. (center), president of the Executive Committee, to Dr. W. F. Powell, Nashville (right), president of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Dr. Duke K. McCall (left), executive secretary of the Executive Committee looks on. The transaction involved 1,300 acres of land. The Sunday School Board plans to spend \$350,000 on its development with the hope that other groups would spend a similar amount. The assembly grounds are located on U. S. Highway 85, just 13 miles southeast of Santa Fe, New Mexico.—(Baptist Press Photo.)

## HALLFORD QUESTIONS

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the records. They base their arguments on everyday suppositions.

## Instance Cited

Five "household baptisms" recorded in the New Testament. In order that we may have them before us to study, let us look again at each record and see if there is anything in them to prove or even indicate that any infants were baptized:

There is no indication in this record that there were any infants in the household of Cornelius. According to the record (Acts 10:44-48), the Holy Spirit fell on all them; they heard the Word; they spoke with tongues; they magnified God; and they received the Holy Spirit. An infant cannot do these things.

No hint is given of any infants in the household of Lydia. (Acts 16:13-15). Apparently, Lydia was a business woman, and as such probably had no husband. In that case, her household would consist of her associates and servants. As there is no ground for believing that she had a husband and children, it would be difficult to prove from this instance that any infants were baptized.

Those who believe that infants were baptized in this household of the Philippian jailor (Acts 16:31-34) based their argument on the latter part of verse 31; "and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." However, such persons seem to ignore the fact that the command to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ is addressed to "thy house" before the promise of salvation is given to them! Too, every member of that household was old enough to "believe" and "rejoice" in the Lord. Infants could not do that!

In the case of the household of Crispus (Acts 18:8), one expression: "believed on the Lord with all his house," is sufficient refutation of the "infant baptism" theory in this case. Every member of the household was old enough to "believe on the Lord."

If the members of the household of Stephanas (I Cor. 16, 16:15) were the "firstfruits" of the Gospel in Asia, and had "addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints," it would be difficult to prove that any of them were mere infants when they did so!

Having considered every "household baptism" in the New Testament, and failing to find one bit of evidence in favor of "infant baptism," we conclude that its advocates must look somewhere except in the Bible for their evidence, because the Bible does not teach infant baptism!

## Practitioners Named

That someone does teach and practice this thing is well known to all of us. However, in order that we may

## OKLAHOMA BAPTISTS

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lined with Tennessee marble. It was built at a cost of \$700,000 over a period of two years. There is more than 30,000 square feet of floor space.

Offices are provided for agencies and departments of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma. The building also houses the state Baptist Book Store and has a chapel annex accommodating 250 persons.

Dedicatory address was by Dr. Andrew Potter, state convention executive secretary, who first dreamed of the building project and under whose direction it was carried to completion. Senator Robert S. Kerr presented the building for the building committee to Dr. T. P. Maskins, state convention president.

Guest speakers included Dr. Oscar Johnson, St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Nashville, Tenn.; and Dr. J. Howard Williams, Dallas, Texas.

be able to "spot" them more readily, we list them here:

The Greek Orthodox Church also practices infant baptism. Contrary to the procedure of their Roman Catholic neighbors, however, the Greek Orthodox Church practices immersion only for baptism. They even immerse babies, we are told on good authority, as young as five weeks of age.

Many Protestants, including Episcopalians, Presbyterians, and Methodists, practice infant baptism, and make it a large part of their system of teaching. Of course, they inherited the teaching and practice from the Roman Catholic Church, from which they are descended.

Various explanations are offered in defense of this practice, but the only real reason for it is as a means to salvation for the infant who is baptized. Its advocates can deny this charge from now until doom's day, but their inferences and statements "give them away." Quite often, in reading their writings and listening to their statements, we come across the word "sacrament." Now, this word means "that which possesses saving power," and there is no way to deny it successfully. Therefore, when they use the term "the sacrament of baptism," they are teaching that baptism either saves or helps to save the one who received it.

Roman Catholics present their position in no uncertain terms. A scholar on the matter says that Augustine "gave infant baptism its fixed place in the church. He believed that baptism was absolutely necessary to the salvation of every person. If infants should die without being baptized, they would be consigned to an eternal hell."

## J. Ford Parker Is Providence Pastor

PROGRAM ADVANCES AND PROPERTY EXPANDS AT BEULAH, SIMPSON CO.



REV. J. FORD PARKER

Rev. J. Ford Parker has accepted the pastorate of Providence Church in Lebanon Association and began his work on July 9. He came to the new field from Beulah Church in Simpson County, where he had served as pastor for two and one-half years.

Under his leadership Beulah Church grew from quarter-time to full-time. There were more than 200 additions to the church. Nine young men were licensed to the ministry. One of these, Rev. C. M. Grayson, has been ordained, and in addition to serving several pastorates, he is a student at Clarke College. Five deacons were also ordained.

A graded Training Union has replaced the BYPU. An active Brotherhood has been organized. The WMS now has all of its organizations, including a BWC, and a Boy Scout chapter was instituted.

The pastor led the church in the construction of an educational building and a pastorium, and a church bus has been purchased.

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## Maben VBS Breaks Record

The attendance of the Vacation Bible School at the Maben Church reached an all-time high recently when 96 enrolled. The interest and the type work done was unusually good.

Miss Bessie Will Holland served as Nursery Superintendent; Mrs. Kelly Turner, Beginner Superintendent; Mrs. A. B. Gammill, Primary Superintendent; Mrs. E. H. Foster, Junior Superintendent; Miss Charlene Kimbrell, Intermediate Superintendent; and Rev. Geo. Moseley, pastor, was principal.

## R. L. FOSTER ORDAINED



REV. R. L. FOSTER

The Big Springs Church in Lincoln Association ordained Robert Lee Foster to the full ministry of the gospel in June.

The ordination council was composed of: G. H. Boyte, Big Springs; Bill Warren, Fair River; Deacons J. P. Keene and Luther Thornton; Rev. C. L. Sellers, Big Springs pastor, who presented the Bible; Rev. J. P. Brewer, Fair River, who preached the ordination sermon; Rev. H. P. Porter, Heuck's Retreat, who gave the charge to the church. Rev. W. A. Davis of New Zion and Pearl Valley, who led the ordination prayer. Rev. Carl Case, Holly Springs, gave the charge to the candidate.

Mr. Foster hopes to enter school for further study. He is married and has five children.

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## WRITERS' WEEK BEGINS

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Each afternoon will be given over to workshops embracing activities as varied as "Writing for Children," "Religious Publicity and Radio," "Writing Fiction," and "Magazine Editing and Layout." Articles and stories are invited for consideration in the workshops. They may be on any subject and slanted to any age of reader. Manuscripts should be typed, double-spaced, and sent by July 25 to: Clifton J. Allen, 161 Eighth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee. Authors should enclose name and address in a sealed envelope and attach to the corner of manuscript. Selected manuscripts will be discussed in the workshop, and all manuscripts will be returned with brief appraisals.

Applications for accommodations should be addressed without delay to: Robert Guy, Manager, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

CONSERVATIVE BAPTISTS of the North have established seminaries at Portland and Denver.

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## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

reported from Washington that close associates of President Truman did not expect him to appoint a new representative to the Vatican. The State Department representative at the Vatican has been assigned to a post in South America.



## ON HAVING A SIMULTANEOUS EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE

By CHESTER L. QUARLES  
Executive Secretary

Mississippi Baptists along with the other Southern Baptists in all the other states east of the Mississippi river are going to engage in a great simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade March 28—April 8, 1951. This will be the greatest evangelistic effort ever attempted by any denomination. Under the leadership of our Southwide director, Dr. C. E. Matthews, and our state-wide directors, we are organizing for this tremendous effort.

## What Must Be Done?

In the first place, the associations must organize. An organizer must be elected by the Executive Committee of the Association. A permanent General Chairman of Evangelism should be elected, if not already elected. A Steering Committee must be set up. (See *The Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism* by C. E. Matthews for definite directions on this.)

It will not be enough for us merely to organize on an associational basis. This is only the beginning step. This organization should have monthly meetings up until the time of the Crusade. The work of the various officers should be carefully studied and the work painstakingly planned. There should be a monthly check-up on all plans and results.

Churches must be contacted through their pastors and other interested leaders. Some will need to be persuaded to cooperate in the Crusade. Most will need only to be informed to secure their complete cooperation in all plans.

## Why A "Simultaneous" Campaign

There is real power in a Crusade for Christ in many churches simultaneously. When many churches are doing the same thing at the same time there is a real opportunity to be most effective. There is great advertising value. Newspapers and radio stations will give publicity to such a crusade when they would not mention an individual effort by a church.

The special rallies which are suggested for the Crusade will have great value in building a cooperative spirit among our people. There is inspiration in a great mass meeting or rally. If there is any value in friendly rivalry in Christ's work, it can be utilized in building the attendance for such a meeting.

Some churches will have a revival meeting in such a Crusade that otherwise would not have one. Souls will be saved that would not be reached for Christ.

## What About Preachers?

This question has been asked a number of places by a number of people. Frankly, this will be a problem. Mississippi has the advantage over many states in that we are close to the Mississippi River and distance will not be too great a problem in getting preachers from some states west of the Mississippi River. New Orleans Seminary, Louisville Seminary, Fort Worth Seminary, Mississippi College, Clarke College, will furnish a large number of available preachers. Then, too, a pastor can always preach in his own meeting. Many pastors will do this in a fine way, and with splendid results.

One pastor recently had remarkable

results in leading his members in a great visitation program. Many souls were won to Christ. Couple this with a revival and it will be very successful.

## Souls For Our Hire

In our efforts to have a great Crusade, we would never forget that the souls of men, women, young people, boys and girls are our main concern. Take these methods: publicity, procedures, organization, visitation; all are secondary. We desire to reach men and by loving compulsion bring them to a saving knowledge of Jesus.

## Added Note

Last week the writer asked for some slogan suggestions. Many were sent in. We plan to write an article on this soon. Some have said they have suggestions but have not sent them in. Send yours in today. Baptists like slogans!

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## CHURCH AT FOREST CLOSES GREAT SPIRITUAL REVIVAL

The Forest Baptist Church recently closed perhaps the greatest revival held in the Forest Church. The spirit was great and large crowds attended every service. The morning services were outstanding with over 150 attending each morning. Dr. E. N. Patterson of New Orleans was the visiting preacher and George Dukes of Magee led the singing.

The church spent two weeks in preparation with 10 special committees being appointed to plan special rallies, entertainment and cottage prayer meetings. The week of June 5-9 was Rally Week with rallies being held for the Men, Women and Young People with out-of-town inspirational speakers coming to lay the need of a revival on the hearts of the members. Cottage Prayer Meetings were held the week of June 12-17 with an average of 170 attending each night. The night of June 11, the Sunday preceding the first Sunday of the revival services, eight were baptized who had united with the church during the weeks of preparation.

The revival has not closed with the end of the services. Two came on profession of faith on July 2 and one by letter, bringing the total of additions to the church to 101; 39 on profession of faith and 62 uniting by letter, since August 1 when the pastor, Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., moved on the field.

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## Mt. Moriah Plans Dedication Service

Mount Moriah Church in Calhoun County has planned an all-day program for August 27 to dedicate its new brick building. Dinner will be served on the church grounds.

Dr. Charles D. Johnson, native of Calhoun County and now a teacher at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, will deliver the principal address. Dr. Rowell T. Crocker, of Washington, D. C., has been invited to deliver an address and Rev. Wesson M. Crocker, of Bruce, will also be on the program.

A history of the church, which is now being prepared, will be read on that day.

## Pinola To Dedicate \$20,000 Building July 23; Revival To Begin With Dinner-On-Grounds



Pinola Church, W. P. Spiers, pastor, will dedicate its new building at an afternoon service on July 23. Dr. Lewis A. Myers, Editor of the Baptist New Mexican, Albuquerque, New Mexico will bring the Dedictory Sermon. Dr. Myers is a native of Simpson County.

The building committee is composed at a cost of \$20,000, is debt free and consists of an auditorium and baptistry, ten classrooms, pastor's study, and kitchen.

The building committee is composed of: C. W. Chappell, Chairman; H. G. Grantham, J. A. White, H. L. Vinson, R. E. Bush, J. W. Bush, Sr., and G. G. BUSH.

The church will also on this date begin its annual summer revival with the morning service. Dr. Myers will be present to bring the message for this service and the services to follow throughout the week.

Friends are cordially invited to attend these special services. Lunch will be served on the church grounds.

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## Magee Church Honors New Missionaries

## Mayhalls Sails For Africa

The members of the Magee Church have a renewed and personal interest in missions. On July 5, Rev. and Mrs. David Mayhall sailed for Nigeria to give their lives in missionary work. Mrs. Mayhall, the former Ollie Mae Ware, was reared in Magee. She was converted and baptized there, felt a definite missionary call while a member of the Junior Department of the Sunday School, and was an active member of the Magee Church until she left home to make further preparation for her life work. After her marriage to the young preacher, David Mayhall, and their subsequent moving to Louisville, Kentucky to the Seminary, the interest of homefolks continued.

It was with grateful pride mixed with humility that the church learned of their acceptance by the Foreign Mission Board to be sent as missionaries to Nigeria. The weeks between the Mayhalls' graduation from the Seminary and their sailing was spent with Magee as the home base. Mr. Mayhall preached in the Magee church on Sunday shortly before sailing. On the Wednesday evening before they were to sail, the church gave a reception in their honor following the regular prayer meeting service. Mrs. Mayhall spoke, telling of her conversion, her call, her rededication, and then something of the work in which they will be engaged in Africa.



DR. LEWIS A. MYERS

## Record-Breaking VBS At Forest Church

The Forest Church recently completed a Vacation Bible School with a total enrollment of 217. An average attendance for the week was 184. The church gives certificates for perfect attendance all week, and 135 pupils certificates were given.

Mrs. W. R. Cain served as principal of this record-breaking school and Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., served as pastor-advisor.

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## PHILADELPHIA, LINCOLN HAVE VBS, STUDY COURSE

Philadelphia Church, in Lincoln County, has completed a Vacation Bible School and Study Course.

Rev. A. W. Talbert taught the book, *A Winning Witness*, to the Adults.

Mrs. R. A. Hancock served as principal of the Bible School and Pastor R. A. Hancock had charge of the boys' handwork. Mrs. A. W. Talbert served as primary superintendent and Miss Bobbie Case served as Intermediate Superintendent.

There were 115 enrolled in the school.

## Africa.

Mr. Mayhall is to teach in the Baptist College in Iwo and Mrs. Mayhall will do secretarial work with other missionary activities. As a token of love and interest which the church has for these two young people, Rev. J. B. Smith, pastor, presented them with a \$200 check from the church to be used in helping them to supply their needs. With the gift went the pledge to Ollie Mae and David that they will be on the church's calendar of prayer every day.

They left New Orleans, sailing on the steamship Del Rio, on July 5.

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## This Article Ruined A Hot Editorial

Recent news articles concerning the Baptist World Alliance meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, had led us to think that perhaps an effort would be made to align the Baptist World Alliance with the World Council of Churches or the new organization which is to supplant the Federal Council of Churches. We had already outlined mentally an editorial concerning this matter. We are glad to have the letter below from Dr. Arnold T. Ohrn, which disclaims any such plans:

Dear Brother Editor:

Because of questions that have been raised, the President and General Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance ask for your kind co-operation in publishing the following statement:

No person or group or organization that we know of, and certainly no one that is at all acquainted with the purpose and character of our Alliance, has any intention whatsoever of attempting to bring the Baptist World Alliance into membership in the World Council of Churches. The Alliance is a world-wide fellowship of Baptists in many lands, and is thus not even eligible for membership. It is likewise, in accordance with its constitution, entirely without competence to decide the question of such membership for a single one of its constituent organizations. Should any motion be made that the Baptist World Alliance join the World Council of Churches, or that it attempt to settle the matter for

others, such motion is certain to be ruled out of order and will not even be discussed.

In closing we wish to point out that the Alliance "exists in order more fully to show forth the essential oneness of Baptist people in the Lord Jesus Christ, to impart inspiration to the brotherhood, and to promote the spirit of fellowship, service and co-operation among its members." If we were to turn the Baptist World Congress into a debating society on matters that are controversial as among Baptists, we should be defeating the very purpose for which the Alliance exists.

Naturally, motions that the Congress is required to vote upon, must be of necessity be debatable. But such motions will have to be limited to matters than can properly be brought before an Alliance such as ours.

On behalf of the Baptist World Alliance,

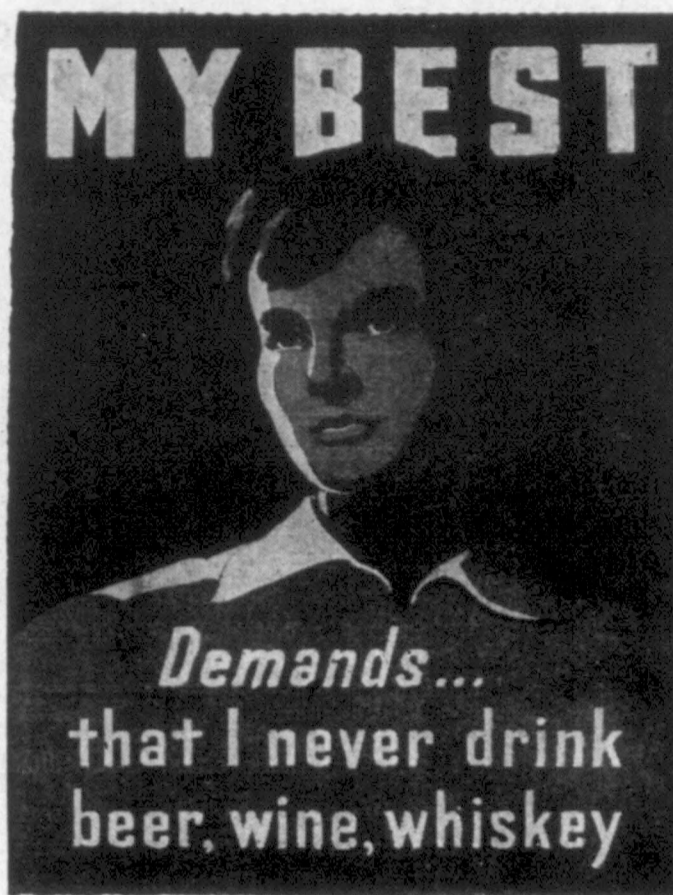
ARNOLD T. OHRN  
General Secretary

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## She Learned The Hard Way

We who were reared in a Baptist home by Baptist parents have had a great privilege and blessing. And we are grateful to God and we appreciate it. But when we hear one who knows the hardships and trials faced in a home where the Bible is misrepresented or is forbidden, our pride in our Baptist heritage soars and we are grateful again for the blessing of a Baptist home life.

A former Catholic has written a letter in answer to Mr. C. A.



Hegwood, whose letter was recently printed in the column entitled "Our Readers Write."

Her letter shows how handicapped those are who have been indoctrinated in wrong teachings and who are not taught to read God's Word. They have no chance to learn of their wrong beliefs. Mrs. Rogers did read the Bible and it was there that she found the truth for herself, and immediately became a Baptist.

With the information that she gives (her letter appears in this issue) we can patiently help friends, Catholics and any others, who have been led astray and do not know the true teachings of God's word. But patience and tact must be ours, for we know that they have been deprived of one of the greatest blessings we know—a Christian home where the Bible is read by everyone.

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## How Others Saw It

The Chicago Convention was perhaps the most placid Southern Baptist Convention in the memory of the messengers. There had been certain forebodings for months preceding the Convention of disturbing controversies. There, however, was not a single controversial issue injected into the deliberations.

We asked a number of the messengers what they considered the high points of the meeting. Most of the replies were that they could not think of any one thing that could be considered outstanding—that the meeting as a whole was inspiring and constructive, without any special peaks of interest. Others stated that they considered the high hours of the meeting. Most of

the replies were that they could not think of any one thing that could be considered outstanding—that the meeting as a whole was inspiring, and constructive, without any special peaks of interest. Others stated that they considered the Foreign Mission program Wednesday evening, and still others the address of Dr. Perry F. Webb, on "The Christian Home," Thursday evening, were high hours.

Someone remarked there were more Southern people in Chicago during the Convention week than had been there since the last Democratic National Convention.

The newspapers of Chicago did not give the liberal space to the Convention news such as has been true in Southern cities. Also absent were the familiar banners of other years decorating places of business, "Welcome, Southern Baptists."

The budget adopted was about the same as that of last year: \$10,000,000. The one change is in the amount of the operating budget, which was raised from \$4,000,000 to \$4,500,000. The first \$2,500,000 received after the operating budget has been raised will go to capital needs, and the remaining \$3,000,000, or what part of it as is received, will go to the Foreign Mission Advance Program.

The Foreign Mission program Tuesday evening was most inspiring and informing. A talkie-movie of the Nigeria, Africa, mission field gave the audience a close-up view of foreign missions in action. The pictures were clear and the talkie gave a convincing description.

The Advance Program of the Foreign Mission Board is gaining favor and stimulating interest among Southern Baptists for the worldwide missionary enterprise of Southern Baptists. The gifts for Foreign Missions the past year was just a little less than six million dollars. This will enable the Board to enter new fields, erect church and mission houses that are sorely needed.

The board reports the greatest number of baptisms in China since Southern Baptists entered that field, despite the chaos caused by Communists. There are now a total of 700 missionaries under the Board.

The report of the Committee on Theological Education, recommending that two new seminaries be opened—one in Berkeley, Calif., and the other at Wake Forest, N. C.—was adopted by the Convention. The one in California already has been in operation for several years under the California (Southern) State Baptist Convention. The new seminary at Wake

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## HOW OTHERS

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Forest, N. C., involves the purchasing of the Wake Forest College plant for \$1,600,000.

In order to care for these two new seminaries it is necessary to take from the three old seminaries part of the financial appropriations they would have received from the Convention. We question the wisdom of spreading out the appropriations to the seminaries so thin when the three old seminaries are in process of erecting new buildings to relieve overcrowded conditions that have existed for several years. The institutions we already have should be taken care of before we begin spreading out.—Editor Finley W. Tenneis in the Louisiana Baptist Message.

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## Our Readers Write

To The Baptist Record:

I have just read C. A. Hegwood's letter printed in last week's Record. Some of his statements are made because I once was a Catholic, not from choice nor because I was born again, but because I was taught from a child up until I was 18 years old.

I began to read God's word for myself and compare it to what I was taught. I took "Thus saith the Lord" for many things I had been taught.

1. Matt. 23:9 says call no man Father. Today, thank God, no priest is my father.

2. I Tim. 2:5 says that Christ is our only mediator. No more will I repeat as a child "Hail Mary, Mother of God, pray for us now and at the hour of our death, etc." or pray for some other saint to intervene for us, for Christ is sufficient.

3. I found that not by doing penance, perhaps repeating long rosary's or some deeds of mercy, was I to be saved, but by faith alone, as John 3:16; Luke 13:3; or Acts 3:19 told me.

4. I found from I Tim. 4:3 it was wrong to forbid to eat meat or forbid to marry.

5. I found no promise in my Bible of a purgatory where I would have a chance to be saved after death.

Today I am assured of my salvation. John 5:24.

I cannot understand if Mr. Hegwood's father and grandfather were true Baptists as he states, that they would profess a false form of religion. Too often we have Baptists in name only, who are not willing to stand true for Christ's teaching when the storm of life's battles roar.

Did Martin Luther throw up his hands and quit when persecuted by the Catholic Church? Or many others during the Dark Ages?

I had rather die an expelled Baptist, standing true to what I believe to be God's way, than boast of being a Catholic. I love the Catholic people and know how hard it is for them to have the opportunity we have today. I learned the hard way from experience. It took twenty years for my Catholic mother to see Christ as I did, and she too left the Catholic church.

I find no rituals for a church in my New Testament, only two ordinances, that of baptism (after salvation only) and the Lord's Supper. Nowhere can I find where any one is to bow to any earthly man or object. When we do we are giving reverence or worship to someone else beside God, which breaks the first commandment.

Our Baptists are not ashamed of the truth about our Baptist policy. We be-



REV. GUY LITTLE

Shown above is Rev. Guy Little who has been called to the pastorate of Siloam Church, Simpson County for half-time. He succeeds Rev. Ford Parker who recently accepted the pastorate of Providence Church, Forest County. Mr. Little also serves Antioch Church, Marion County, for half-time.

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## RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS Miss Dora Etta Solomon has for two-and-a-half years served faithfully and efficiently as Baptist Student Union Secretary, forming and strengthening the spiritual connecting link between Pearl River College and our First Baptist Church of Poplarville, Mississippi, and

WHEREAS she now feels led to the Lord to return to Southwestern Baptist Seminary to continue her schooling, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the First Baptist Church of Poplarville in conference, that our Church BSU Committee be instructed to draw up suitable resolutions of regret over her leaving, expressing our deep appreciation for her services to our church along many and varied channels of usefulness, and wishing her continued success and happiness in still larger fields of service during the years to come, and

RESOLVED: that a signed copy of these resolutions be given to Miss Solomon, a copy be spread on the Church Clerk's minutes of our church, and a copy be forwarded to THE BAPTIST RECORD, with a request that they be published at the earliest possible date.

JUDSON CHASTAIN

E. J. MITCHELL

LONNIE SMITH

MRS. J. M. MOODY

—BR—

MEL DIBBLE DID THE PREACHING and led the singing in a revival at First Church, Grenada, the first part of July. There were 70 addition. Dr. Glen Eric Wiley is the pastor.

lieve in abiding by our Constitution of the United States. Today Catholics want more money for their schools and hospitals, but are unwilling to meet the needs themselves. They want all denominations taxed to help pay their bills. For years, our government has spent thousands of dollars for Myron C. Taylor as an envoy to the Vatican. We Baptists were forced to pay our part which was unjust. Now if Catholics were taxed to pay for Baptist schools, colleges or leaders, Mr. Hegwood would have room to complain.

The truth is not mud slinging. We should be kept informed lest our nation gets in the shape some other countries are where Catholics have control. We pray that Catholics will work as hard as Baptists to uphold the Constitution of America by keeping the church and state separate.

MRS. D. D. ROGERS

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING  
UNION ATTENDANCE

July 9, 1950

Jackson, First	1203	364
Jackson, Calvary	1209	293
Jackson, Davis Memorial	525	285
Jackson, Southside	269	135
Jackson, Parkway	774	300
Parkway Chapel	87	34
Jackson, Elaine	134	115
Jackson, Van Winkle	420	212
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	361	213
Byram (Hinds County)	209	132
East Side (Rankin County)	104	60
Bunker Hill (Marion County)	288	109
Mt. Vernon	61	79
Pascagoula, First	639	199
Eastlawn Mission	52	32
Unity Mission	62	49
MacArthur St. Mission	38	
Jackson Avenue Mission	36	
Union Chapel (Amite County)	46	47
Soso	148	106
Meridian, First	730	49
Meridian, Highland	465	164
Meridian, Southside	318	145
Meridian, 41st Avenue	233	60
Meridian, Key Field	94	29
Carmel (Lawrence County)	172	138
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	103	52
Sardis	192	78
Grenada, First	623	90
Bruce	328	113
Delay	43	63
Rocky Creek (George County)	233	141
Columbus, First	827	204
Wallerville	127	94
Evergreen (Winston County)	82	81
Shady Grove (George County)	132	118
Lucedale	315	144
Weir	147	101
Chester (Choctaw County)	90	
Ohio (Lamar County)	86	85
Clarksdale	622	128
Paynes	174	74
Bethlehem (Scott County)	133	94
East Fork	101	52
Hattiesburg, Main Street	802	220
Zion (Pontotoc County)	117	59
South McComb	247	56
Mission	69	46
Steen's Creek, Florence	143	81
Friendship (Lincoln County)	98	85
Osyka (Pike County)	146	71
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	95	96
West Laurel	434	127
East McComb	470	264
Locust Street Mission	42	
McComb, First	523	101
Union (Pike County)	63	73
Yazoo City, First	308	
Mt. Zion (Lincoln County)	122	73
Ruth	86	112
Laurel, First	550	139
Magee's Creek (Walthall County)	140	204
Crystal Springs	667	207
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	184	96
Brookhaven, First	789	203
Hamilton Street Chapel	125	55
Central	138	84
Union (Pearl River County)	228	186

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## Zion Hill Has VBS

Zion Hill Church in Copiah County has just completed a week of Vacation Bible School with an enrollment of 102. Rev. Rutledge Courtney, the pastor, was the principal.

General officers were the following: Superintendents, Mrs. Claude Remington and Jean Rutland, Primary; Bernice McInnis and Francis McCray, Juniors; Mrs. A. C. Remington and Doris Rarrar, Intermediates. The pastor taught a study course for the young people and the adults.

On the last day, a social was held and the commencement service was held Sunday night.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING  
UNION ATTENDANCE

July 2, 1950

Calvary (Amite County)	113	118
Union Chapel (Amite County)	50	54
Zion (Pontotoc County)	105	49
Ludlow	133	70
Pascagoula, First	628	198
Eastlawn Mission	67	30
Unity Mission	58	39
MacArthur Street Mission	23	
Jackson Avenue Mission	24	
Vicksburg, Wayside	82	40
Meridian, First	642	
Meridian, 15th Avenue	473	106
Meridian, Highland	444	182
Meridian, Southside	305	112
Meridian, Poplar Springs	295	96
Meridian, 8th Avenue	283	72
Meridian, 41st Avenue	245	65
Meridian, Oak Grove	187	89
Meridian, Oakland Heights	175	53
Meridian, Key Field	109	30
Gulfport, First	555	168
East McComb	398	200
Locust Street Mission	52	
West Corinth	178	75
Lucedale	354	103
McComb, First	561	119
Union (Pike County)	80	74
South McComb	223	78
South McComb Mission	56	34
Clarksdale	614	119
Hebron (Jones County)	101	92
Osyka (Pike County)	157	65
Brooklyn	110	66
Ruth	90	95
Evergreen (Winston County)	107	125
Columbus, First	757	200
Goss	119	90
Yazoo City, First	266	
Delay	53	60
Escr	83	45
Bruce	361	78
Glading	37	27
East Fork (Amite County)	126	80
Jackson, Elaine	131	105
East Louisville	84	50
Brookhaven, First	706	188
Hamilton Street Chapel	105	60
Central Chapel	141	89
Friendship (Lincoln County)	112	99
Union (Alcorn County)	66	101
Mt. Zion (Lincoln County)	121	65
Paynes	167	73
Houlka (Chickasaw County)	122	44
Crystal Springs	647	200
Wallerville (Union County)	81	49
Fair River (Lincoln County)	120	73
Kosciusko, First	532	140
Florence, Steen's Creek	175	85
Laurel, Second Avenue	409	118
Chester (Choctaw County)	91	
Oloh (Lamar County)	56	100
Mt. Vernon	79	
Bogue Chitto	85	87

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## S. A. WALKER

WHEREAS, It has pleased God to call home from earthly labors our beloved Brother Sam A. Walker, who has served from time to time in varied capacities of deacon, choir director, and treasurer in the First Church of Brookhaven during more than forty years; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the deacons and members of the First Church, express our appreciation for his faithful service across the years; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we extend our deepest sympathy and condolence to his fine family and loved ones.

ROBERT H. BOLING  
JACK A. ATKINSON, M. D.  
W. D. LOFTON, JR.

## BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

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**Ask Your Director A Question**  
When you see your director ask him "what did the letter you got from the State Training Union office have to say?" Ask him to let you see it, and if he does not decide to use the idea for the Training Union you could use it in your individual union!

### Thinking About Socials

Had it ever occurred to you to have a Social Study Course Week? Pastor Clower of Eudora is planning such a week. A small group, those who have to do with the social life of the church, and others who are interested, will meet each evening for a discussion based on the book "A Handbook for Church Recreational Leaders" following this discussion there will be a full hour's social, each night for a different age group with a big all church social on Friday night. Churches in their new buildings are providing for a recreation program. The Lord gave us a social nature and expects this to be ministered to by the churches. It is another way of counteracting the bad with good.

### Summer Workers Begin Next Week

Tomorrow, Friday, July 14th two groups of your people will gather, one group will be in Jackson, the other in Blue Mountain. These young people will be in for a short clinic just before going out on Saturday afternoon, July 15th to ten churches, two workers to a church, to help in a Training Union Promotional program. Rankin and Tiptah counties will be the two counties served next week. The schedule then will be—Union and Newton counties the week of the 23rd; Pontotoc and Jasper counties the week of the 30th; Calhoun and Smith counties the week of Aug. 6th and Montgomery, Carroll and Simpson counties the week of August 13. This is the first experience in this kind of work for most of these young people. Pray that the Lord will bless both them and the churches served.

### A Left-Handed Poem

It was a stark and dorny night,  
The wind went beeping swy-  
The lightening fashed in flury  
And runder thoared on high.

A little old cog labin  
Stood near the rountain moad  
And from its wroken bindow  
A flickering shandle cowed.

A faint but briendly feacon  
Whose light won on the shay  
For those githout its wiudance  
Who might go star afray.

The dabin coor fulng open  
And fom its meered a paid  
Intent of sowing gomewhere  
And in rad glags arrayed.

But when she law the sightning  
And felt the rashing dain  
She wrimbled at the teather  
And dut the shoor again.

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### Playtime

We have a new book on socials, and some would express it, "It's a honey" written by Mrs. Lake Pylant,

the results of years of practical experience in leading socials including a number of years at the Training Union Assemblies at Ridgecrest. You will surely want a copy. Get it at the Baptist Book Store, price \$2.25.



### District Ratings for Ensembles and Hymn Players

Below is a continued list of Ensembles and Hymn Players who participated in the District Festivals in June.

**Hymn Players:** Nell Herrin, Salem, Good; Mary Parker Coulter, 1st. Prentiss, Superior; Shelia Ruth Sinclair, Ebenezer, Columbia, Excellent; Carolyn Evans, Bunker Hill, Columbia, Excellent; Marilyn Robbins, Bunker Hill, Columbia, Good; Bennie Speights, Ebenezer, Prentiss, Excellent. Judy Morris, Crystal Springs, Tylertown, Excellent. Geraldine Yawn, Escatawpa, Excellent. Sherry Nell Phelps, Grace Memorial, Biloxi, Superior. June Knight, Calvary, Excellent. Sue Longest, 1st. Gulfport, Excellent. Fern Lee, Roseland Park, Picayune, Excellent. Linda Lee, Gautier, Excellent. Peggy McClelland, Carmel, Monticello, Good. Judith Anne Williams, Bunker Hill, Columbia, Superior. Ann Thompson, Bunker Hill, Columbia, Superior. Peggy Garner, Ebenezer, Prentiss, Good. Joann Barker, Crystal Springs, Tylertown, Good. Frances Kerr, 1st. Jackson, Excellent. Joy Allen, North Side, Jackson, Superior. Robert Hall, Second Baptist, Kosciusko, Excellent. Sarah Maude Sessum, Lena, Excellent. Elaine Lewis, McAdams, Superior. Elizabeth Gunn, Lena, Excellent. Paul Bragg, Jr. 1st. Lexington, Excellent. Celeste Ferguson, Winona, Superior.

The above list is a partial list, and the remaining participants in the district festivals will appear in this column next week.

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### 2 Converted at Concord VBS

Concord Baptist Church, Franklin County, had a VBS June 26-30, with an enrolment of 70 and an average attendance of 67.

Miss Jewel Scott, a Mississippi College student, was principal, assisted by Clarence Young, also from Mississippi College. There were two professions of faith. A number of the young people served on the faculty.

Rev. Reese Kyzar, pastor, preached each night during the week.

A mission offering was sent to Hawaii to help send boys and girls to camp.

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BILLY FANCHER

Billy Fancher, of Louisville and Miss. College, and Dean Walker, of Oxford and Miss. State, are Ridgecrest Representative and Baptist Student Magazine Representative, respectively, of our State BSU Council Billy is preparing to be a Medical Missionary, has been a member of Miss. College's BSU Greater Council, and has participated in many Youth Revivals in Miss. Dean plans to teach high school agriculture, was Business Manager of the Annual and President of the BSU at Holmes Jr. College, before going to State, and at State has been on the "Y" Council and the BSU Council, a member of the college F.P.A. Chapter and Vice-President of the state "Y" Cabinet. Pray for these two young men, will you?

### POTPOURRI

Baker James Cauthen, Secretary for the Orient of our Foreign Mission Board, has written: "Those of us in foreign mission service are continually grateful to the Lord for the atmosphere created by Baptist Student Union in which so many young people feel the call of God to special service. We are laborers together in a task of worldwide evangelism." "This Church Provides for Youth" is the heading of an article in a Baptist periodical. How we pray that more will! . . . Any worthy peace movement will be anti-Communist in its policy and program. ON THE OTHER



DEAN WALKER

HAND, a sincere peace movement NEED NOT URGE WAR WITH RUSSIA as a solution to the problem. In spite of all the hysterical propaganda to the contrary, a war of bullets and bayonets will never stop Communism, but will only widen the areas of chaos and despair in which Communism inevitably expands: The teachings of Christ, implemented by the example of active Christian service, is the one battle ground where Communism must meet ultimate defeat. . . If our leadership, stung by the growing failure of militarism, really mean what they say when they call for a great moral crusade against Communism—the world may yet witness the miracle of God working in the affairs of men . . . physical force can stop Communists, but it can't stop communism.—Charles A. Wells . . . Was blessed by recently supplying at First, Philadelphia . . . Two students joined the Summit Church from Southwest Jr. recently. . . \$1755.98 is amount received thus far for Student Summer Missions . . . At Miss. Southern, 900 Baptists are enrolled in Summer School.

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### Ridgeland VBS Enrolls 70

Ridgeland Church, Madison Association began their Bible School with Preparation Day, June 13. After registration and a parade the children enjoyed refreshments at a local store.

The total enrolment was 70.

The commencement service was held on Friday night.

The Juniors presented a candlelight Pantomime of "The Light of the World is Jesus." The Intermediates gave a play. The Bible School offering will be sent to Rev. Richard Miller to be used for Bible School work in Alaska.

Mrs. J. M. Stout served as principal. Rev. W. E. Palmer is the pastor. Others workers included: Mrs. O. C. Bryant, Mrs. L. S. Lowery, Vida Merle Cosby, Mrs. J. B. Cosby, Mrs. Cecial Herring, Joan Conner, Mrs. J. C. Matthews, and Mrs. W. E. Palmer.

story educational building.

The plans were drawn up by the department of Church Architecture of the Baptist Sunday School Board and will, with the present building, accommodate 1400 in Sunday School. There will be six nurseries, four Beginner departments, four Primary departments, two Junior, two Intermediate, three Young People and two Adult departments. The building will be of fireproof construction.

### Macedonia Revival To Begin On July 16

Revival services will begin at Macedonia Church in Lincoln County on July 16. There will be three services on the first day.

Rev. S. C. Rushing, pastor of the Istrouma Church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, will do the preaching.

The singing will be led by Rev. Percy M. Cooper, pastor of the Winborne Avenue Church in Baton Rouge. Both men are former Mississippi pastors. Rev. A. W. Talbert is the pastor.

A Bible course will be taught by Mr. Rushing at 10 a. m. each weekday morning prior to the regular 11:00 services. Evening services will be at 8 o'clock.

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### First Church Biloxi OK's Building Plans

As Dr. G. C. Hodge begins his twentieth year as pastor of First Baptist Church, Biloxi, the church unanimously approved, on last Wednesday night, floor plans for a three

## — BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT —

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

### STATE PAPERS ARE ESSENTIAL TO PROGRESS

By LAWSON COOK

We sometimes wonder if we Southern Baptists realize the tremendous influence which our state papers exert upon the entire life of the denomination. In carrying Baptist news and the best of religious reading into nearly one million Baptist homes, they are making an inestimable contribution to the progress of every department of our denomination. Indeed, it is difficult to see how very much progress could be made without our state papers.

In focusing our attention upon the current activities and future plans of the denomination, both state and convention-wide, our state papers function as a cohesive factor, binding Southern Baptists into a united force for world evangelization.

Through our state papers Southern Baptists are kept informed regarding every phase of our work. Editorially we are urged and inspired, and strengthened in our doctrinal understanding. Through the news columns we are kept informed regarding the progress of the great world-missions program of Southern Baptists. Without such a medium we could hardly move forward solidly and effectively in a comprehensive program of denominational endeavor. The new Advance Program of world missions would be impossible of accomplishment.

A church could not make a better investment than to see that every member becomes a regular reader of the state paper. It is as proper an item of church budgeting as our Sunday school literature. It would lift the denominational interest of the whole church. It would push out the spiritual horizon of the people, and thus would automatically bring about a larger financial investment in the world-missions program of Southern Baptists.

### BOOKS FOR THE PASTOR

Books are as essential to the work of a preacher as a typewriter is to the work of his secretary. There is this difference, however: the church furnishes the typewriter for the secretary, but the preacher usually has to pay for the books. "My brethren, such things ought not so to be."

Every church should have a library, and every library should have a Pastor's Section. This section should be kept up to date with books selected by the pastor. The church would hardly know either his taste or the requirements for the pastor's reading.

The Pastor's Section should also contain a complete assortment of the best reference books—commentaries, encyclopaedias, a good Bible Atlas, etc.

Then, too, the Pastor's Section in

the church library should contain the best current magazines and periodicals. These will be definitely helpful in sermon preparation.

Men, let's get some books for our pastor!

—BR—

### Dr. Murphy Leads West Union Revival

West Union Church, Carriere, held a revival July 18-25. Dr. J. C. Murphy, pastor of Fifth Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, did the preaching. Austin Kirkland, and B. J. Johnson led the singing, and Mrs. Dan Pigott was the pianist.

Baptisms and enlistment strengthened the church, but most of all there was an edifying of the regular membership. A rededication of members to the job at hand, of winning the lost, enlistment, and the expansion of our present facilities were the main achievements.

A new building is now under construction and includes both an auditorium and an educational unit. The exterior of the building is already complete.

Rev. E. M. Keebler is the pastor.

### 50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

#### 50 YEARS AGO—

Rev. G. B. Butler had begun his ministerial duties as pastor of the First Church of Natchez eight months ago when they were 28 in Sunday School, but now has 150 on roll and 113 present, besides a mission Sunday School with 30 pupils. The church has had a great spiritual awakening, having had 111 additions within this period.

#### 40 YEARS AGO—

Rev. Luther Holcomb leaves the pastorate at Durant to become pastor of the First Church at Yazoo City August 1.

Rev. L. G. Gates of Laurel assisted Pastor T. E. Waldrup at Taylorsville in a series of meetings.

The First Church, McComb, closed a great meeting in which pastor H. R. Holcomb was assisted by Evangelist Weston Bruner of the Home Board, and Singer J. E. Reynolds.

State Evangelist W. E. Hawthorn did the preaching in the Pelahatchie Baptist Revival which resulted in eight additions by letter and two for baptism. Rev. Bryan Simmons, Pastor.

#### 25 YEARS AGO—

The Church at Prentiss closed a very gracious meeting in which Pastor J. B. Quinn had as helpers Rev. J. N. McMillin of Hattiesburg and Singer W. L. Cooper of Blue Mountain. Thirteen were baptised.

Evangelist Bryan Simmons reports a two-weeks meeting with Highland Church, Meridian, when 17 were added to the membership. Frank McDonald led the singing. Pastor S. A. Williams was not able because of sickness to attend the services.

At the close of an eight day's meeting with Southern Baptist Church, located in the camps of the Great Southern Lumber Co., Simpson County, the membership was increased by 16. Pastor W. P. Sandifer had as helper Rev. C. G. White.

Professor J. D. Wallace writes of the successful revival in the Scooba Baptist Church resulting in 15 additions to the membership. Rev. S. V. Gullett of Blue Mountain and Singer Alvin Doty of Wadon assisted Pastor S. L. Morris.

### S. E. Byler Resigns Okolona Pastorate



S. E. BYLER

Having served as pastor of the Okolona Church for three and one-half years, Rev. S. E. Byler tendered his resignation, effective July 15, to go into another field of work.

Resolutions concerning his work have been drawn up in very complimentary terms and are signed by J. A. Devault, chairman of the deacons; Mrs. Sansom Stone, Sunday School Superintendent; Mrs. Tom Woodfin, WMU President; Miss Joe Alleyne Wesson, Training Union Director; and the following deacons: G. J. Stanford, C. E. Thompson, James Hill, Roy B. Evans, G. L. Jourdon, and E. D. Graham.

According to the resolutions, there have been 262 additions to the church, 120 on profession of faith, during his ministry. The church's income has increased from \$5,700 to \$13,000 last year. A new pastorium was built at a cost of \$12,500 and is almost paid for. An organ and chimes have been purchased and installed, and the front of the auditorium was renovated, installing a new choir loft and baptistry.

A marked increase has been noted in church attendance. Under his leadership, two young men have been ordained as ministers: Rev. James F. Stanford, now pastor at Artesia, and Rev. Joe Jolly, Jr., now pastor at Waganville, Ala. A third young man has been licensed and will enter the New Orleans Seminary in September.

Mr. Byler has led in many revivals throughout the state during his pastorate at Okolona, during which time 1200 have been added to other churches. The resolutions also state: "Our pastor was endowed with a God-given talent of music and during his ministry with us used his voice as well as his lips in singing God's praises."

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The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ward, Centerville, will regret to know that Mrs. Ward continues seriously ill.

### ORAL ORDAINS DEACONS

A revival began at Oral Church on July 2, and an additional afternoon service was held for the ordination of two deacons.

Those ordained were Robert Smith and Robert Jones. Rev. F. C. Norris is the pastor.

Rev. E. M. Bilbo of Sumrall gave the charge to the deacons and Rev. F. H. Rogers, a former pastor now pastor at Soso, preached the ordination sermon.

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### WILLIE B. MOORE

Willie B. Moore 60, of Morgan City was recently called to his reward. The community and the Morgan City Church have suffered a distinct loss.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Moore of Gore Springs in Grenada County. As a young man he moved to the Mississippi delta working at Cleveland and Sidon. Then upon his return from the Navy after World War 1, he moved to Jonestown. Twenty-two years ago he came to Morgan City.

Brother Moore served well in his church as superintendent, secretary, and teacher of Junior boys in the Sunday School; Chairman of the Building Committee and as Deacon.

In the Morgan City community he was truly "the Community Pack Horse." He had learned that "he who would be greatest among you, let him be servant of all."

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Pearl Norman Moore; a son, William Norman Moore, a senior at Mississippi State College; a sister Mrs. Claude Wiggins; Detroit, Michigan; six brothers: Walter, of Morgan City; Louis, of Tie Plant; Guy of Rudyard; Jim of Gore Springs; Gaines, of Tupelo and Frank of Jackson; a host of relatives and friends; and all the people of Morgan City.

#### Deacons,

A. A. Thompson,  
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### HOME MISSION WEEK OF PRAYER GIFTS

This list is continued from last week and will be continued until all of the receipts are given.

#### DISTRICT VI

Stringer	17.50
Kemper—	
Black Water	13.50
De Kalb	16.00
Scooba	11.00
Lauderdale—	
Causeyville	10.00
Collinsville	2.00
Daleville	22.50
Kewanee	40.00
Key Field	23.00
Long Creek	8.00
Macedonia	20.00
Marion	21.30
Meridian, Eighth Ave.	42.00
Meridian, Fifteenth Ave.	320.00
Meridian, First	869.86
Meridian, Forty-First Ave.	120.65
Meridian, Highland	86.80
Meridian, Oakland Heights	31.16
Meridian, Poplar Springs	89.00
Meridian, Southside	76.71
Midway	60.00
Mt. Olive	12.50
New Hope	27.85
Oak Grove	100.35
Russell	40.75
Toomsaba	13.75
Leake—	
Carthage	220.00
Freem	12.00
Freindship (Lena)	69.54
Midway	1.35
Thomastown	15.50
Tuscola	22.50
Walnut Grove	22.00
Neshoba—	
Coldwater	11.00
Deemer	10.00
Hope	9.25
Immanuel	9.00
Laurel Hill	6.00
Neshoba	37.57
New Hope	5.00
Philadelphia, First	78.16
Sardis	20.25
Spring Creek	11.43
New Choctaw—	
Macedonia	2.79
Bethany	1.54
Hopewell	2.50
Hope	1.38
Newton—	
Bethel	25.00
Chunky	25.75
Decatur	69.50
Duffee	5.50
Hickory	91.50
Liberty	4.75
Mt. Vernon	6.10
New Ireland	2.00
Newton	261.87
Oakland	3.00
Union	98.70
Clarke College YWA	6.25
East Central Jr. College YWA	2.65
Scott—	
Forest	107.37
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Harpersville	1.75

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Jerusalem (Ludlow)	20.09
Lake	50.00
Liberty	21.00
Morton	72.61
Union	6.50
Smith—	
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Pecan Grove	5.00
Pine Grove	16.00

### JOINS ALTA WOODS STAFF



REV. PAUL HANCOCK

Rev. Paul Hancock has been employed by Alta Woods Church, Jackson, to serve as Director of Music and Church Secretary.

Mr. Hancock is a native of Union County. He is a graduate of Clarke Memorial College and is now a senior at Mississippi College.

Rev. Clyde Davis is the Alta Woods pastor.

Sandersville	22.03
Sharon	22.00
Soso	10.00
Summerland	17.00
Tuckers Crossing	6.45
Lamar—	
Baxterville	24.00
Oloh	18.65
Oral	22.25

### Eastview Revival Adds 24: Has VBS

Eastview Church recently completed a two-week revival and a Vacation Bible School. Rev. B. S. Hilbun, pastor, did the preaching during the meeting and Joe Hilbun led the singing.

There were 24 additions, eight on profession of faith, and three rededications.

The Vacation Bible School Preparation Day on June 23, followed by a parade which was led by the fire truck and cars decorated with various banners.

Mrs. Billie Bridges served as principle of the school, Miss Elaine Blue was general secretary and Miss Marianne Warren was pianist.

The total enrolment was 132.

Superintendents in the various departments were: Nursery: Mrs. Breland Warren; Beginners: Mrs. Ray Moffett; Primary: Mrs. Effie Garrett; Juniors: Mrs. Grace Leggett; Intermediates: Mrs. N. D. Stone.

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"3. It is the ONLY DISEASE WHICH WE LEGALIZE to the tune of 447,000 retail liquor permits in drug stores, groceries, hotels, and wherever our women and children must go for the necessities of life.

"4. It is the ONLY DISEASE WHICH WE COMMERCIALIZE, the annual drink bill being close to 9 billion dollars.

"5. It is the ONLY DISEASE WHICH IS VOLUNTARILY SELF-IMPOSED. Not one of the four million excessive drinkers, most of them alcoholics, in America, ever became an alcoholic without wilfully taking a drink and continuing to drink. This is not true of any other sickness.

"6. It is the MOST DEADLY OF ALL DISEASES for it destroys, as Jesus said in Matt. 10:28, 'both soul and

body in hell.' No other sickness, however malignant, can kill a man's soul. But the disease of alcoholism will and does, as evidenced by the estimated cost of crime in the State of Massachusetts alone, resulting from liquor, of 61 million dollars in one year, to say nothing of the intangible by-products.

"7. Finally, we are glad to say this is a DISEASE WHICH IS CURABLE for all who wish to escape its malignancy. Thank God, there is a remedy for this disease available to all. There is no incurable case in the sight of God."

—SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST DIGEST

(Reprinted in THE BAPTIST MESSENGER, June 1, 1950, p. 16.)

It is certainly strange reasoning that the best way to curb this disease is to make liquor easier and cheaper to get, available at all times to all people, with the state encouraging its use through legalization and taxation and actually selling it itself. When an epidemic strikes a community the health authorities order schools closed and quarantine; they use all the preventative methods known to medical science. The same attitude should prevail toward the liquor business.

nothing comparable to this.

The story of Ruth is historically important as giving the lineage of David through the whole period of the rule of the judges, i. e., from Salmon who was under Joshua, to Jesse the Bethlehemite, whose history is continued in I Sam. 16; and as illustrating the ancestry of Jesus Christ the Son of David, who was born in Bethlehem of Judea. The care with which this narrative was preserved through so many generations before Christ is a striking evidence of the Providence of God, and teaches us that, known unto God are all His works from the beginning of the world.

### II. LOVE AND LOYALTY

Maybe some traveler from Bethlehem or some traveler through Bethlehem passed by the place where the three widows were living in Moab and told Naomi good news from home. The famine in Bethlehem was over and there again was bread in the House of Bread. So Naomi's heart turns to the land of her birth, of her wedded life, of her two sons, and she decides to follow the leading of her heart.

That is both natural and supernatural. The heart turns homeward, and the turning grows more pronounced with the passage of the years. There are no scenes anywhere so beautiful as the scenes of our childhood. There are no friends anywhere so dear as the friends of our tender years. So this aging widow, looking out on a future, dark with the threat of possible misery and desolate for the lack of former friends, determines here during the evening time of life to go home.

So she tells her daughters-in-law of her purpose and bids them return to their fathers' houses. One of them accepts Naomi's advice, weeps her farewell tears and departs. Not so Ruth. She declares her love and her purpose to go with Naomi not only, but to embrace her religion as well.

And this is the most remarkable thing about Ruth. There in her own heathen land and among her own people, devoted as they were to the wor-

## 15 Professions In VBS At Byram, Hinds

Byram Church, Hinds County, had an enrollment of 115 and an average attendance each day of 105 in their Bible School the week of June 26-July 1.

The general officers and workers were 100 per cent in attendance for the entire week.

Refreshments were served each day. There were 15 professions of faith as a result of the Bible School, and a mission offering of \$27.18 was taken. Miss Ann McBride served as principal.

Rev. H. J. Bennett is the pastor.

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## Pearlhaven Church Enrolls 183 In VBS

Pearlhaven Church, Brookhaven, had its finest Bible School, June 12-23, with 183 enrolled. The following superintendents served in making the Bible School the best ever: Beginner: Mrs. A. M. Hutson; Primary: Mrs. Jere Lovelle; Junior: Mrs. Billy Ferguson; Intermediate: Mrs. Paul Z. Ball.

Mrs. Clarence Kaiser kept the Nursery for the children under four years of age.

Those who were responsible for the handwork and the serving of the refreshments were: Billy Ferguson, Clifton Reed, Victor Day, Mrs. A. L. Keyes, Mrs. Faye Melcher, Mrs. Benjie McKissack, and Mrs. Myra Lovelle.

Miss Marianne Warren of Laurel, and Mrs. Faye Melcher of Snyder, Texas, were the out-of-town helpers in the Bible School.

The principal of the school was the pastor, Rev. Paul Z. Ball.

ship of Chemosh, she found the Lord God of Israel. "Thy God shall be my God." So Ruth became a convert to the true God. What had the life of the family into which she had married to do with her change of heart? Are privileged to believe that many a mother-in-law, father-in-law, husband might, by a life of devotion to the truth of God and the God of truth lead wife and children to the Lord? And are we privileged to believe that the aged women can mould the lives of the younger by lives of devotion to the right?

### III. A MARRIAGE THAT BLESSED THE WORLD

...Did mine and yours? Does the world have a stake in your marriage? Is it of concern to the world that your married life shall be happy in its fruits and associations? What right has the world to demand of you that your home be clean and the out of it may come a lad or lass to bless the world? Any? If so, will you see that the light in which others see it shall be a clear light of truth and honor and loyalty to the Good?

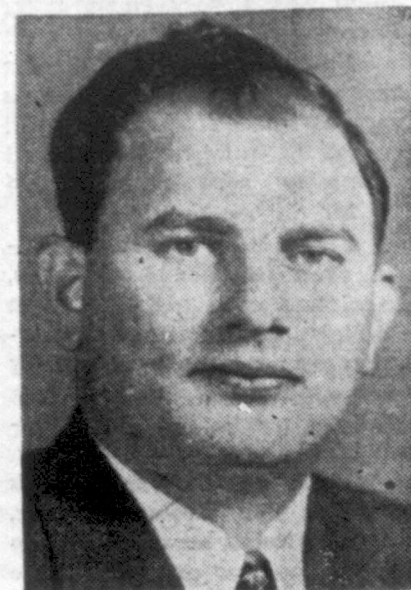
Sometime ago an actress who had dragged the honor of wifehood in the mire and had stained the robe of womanly decency with the fifth of lust, pled as a result of her marriage to the father of her illegitimate child that the public "turn off the spotlight, and let us live as other people." But who turned the spotlight on in the first place?

But this marriage of Ruth from over the hills and far away bore fruit in the line of David and of our Lord. Can we say that God could not have, because He would not have, allowed a lewd woman to mother the ancestor of our Lord.

## Scott County Gets Assoc. Missionary

Rev. Roy Self has begun his work as Associational Missionary for the Scott County Association.

He is a graduate of Mississippi College and the New Orleans Theolog-



REV. ROY SELF

ical Seminary. He began his pastoral work in Lincoln County, where he pastored two half-time churches. He served for some time as Minister of Education in Temple Church, Ruston, Louisiana.

He continued his pastoral work and leader in denominational activities in the pastorate in Birmingham, Alabama where he served as District Director for Howard and Judson campaigns, District Director for Sunday School work and Pastor Advisor for the Birmingham Training Union Association.

Mr. Self comes to this new field of work from the pastorate of the church of Port Sulphur, Louisiana.

Mrs. Self and their four children have joined him and are now residing in Forest.

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## Springfield VBS Enrolls 96

Springfield Church in Scott County recently completed a Vacation Bible School in which 96 were enrolled. The pastor, Rev. E. I. Farr, served as principal; Miss Fannie Lou Gill, secretary; Mrs. Leslie Cooper, Misses Louise Bright and Pauline Cooper, in charge of music.

Other workers in the school were: Mrs. Spurgeon Cooper, Mrs. Odel Winstead, Mrs. Leroy Cooper, Mrs. Woodrow Rushing, Mrs. Prentis Cooper, Mrs. Leon McEwen, Mrs. Fred Moore, Mrs. Troy Cooper, Mrs. Marshal Beard, Mrs. William Garner, Misses Daisy Cooper, Rubye Cooper, Dennie Cooper and Bessie Cooper.

The commencement exercises were held on July 2. The offering was designated for the Cooperative Program.

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## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell  
July 16

### I. THE STORY OF RUTH

This is a story of a famine and its effect upon one of the suffers from it. His name was Elimelech and he lived in Bethlehem of Judea. He had been forced to alienate his land and beyond that had been reduced to such straits financially that he decided to move over to the land of Moab beyond the Jordan.

The people of Moab were not of the true faith and he who moved among them ran the danger of being corrupted by their pagan religion and life. Elimelech took the risk with his wife and two sons, went into the land of Moab where his two sons took wives of the daughters of Moab sometime after which both the father and the two sons died, leaving three widows to mourn their loss. The story of Ruth grew out of these circumstances.

Dr. Wilbur Smith quotes Dr. Alexander Whyte as saying, both the Bible, and all the books that take after the Bible are full of fine stories of love. The love of the mother for her child. The love of the lover for her loves. The love of the brother for the sister. The love of Jonathan for David, and of David for Jonathan. The love of Paul for his people Israel. The love of Christ for His own and for all people, and so on.

But neither in the Bible nor anywhere else that I know of is there another such story of love told, as the love of Ruth for Naomi; the love of this Moabite daughter-in-law for her Hebrew mother-in-law. Ruth's love for the mother of her dead husband is as pure as gold and as strong as death. Many waters cannot quench Ruth's love. And the confession of her love, when she is constrained to confess it, is the most beautiful confession of love in all the world. The world has

## SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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### SMITH COUNTY CAMPAIGN A GREAT SUCCESS

The Smith County simultaneous Sunday school campaign the week of June 26-30 was a very encouraging one. There were 16 churches that cooperated in this first effort of this kind, and many were the expressions from various leaders of the helpful week it was in building bigger and better Sunday schools for Bible teaching for all the people.

It was a four-night teaching program in each of the 16 churches, with extra time each night to make up the difference, and then the closing session was a county-wide rally on Friday night at Raleigh, with a house full of people, and with enthusiasm high.

Final reports of the week's work were given at this closing meeting, and the group voted unanimously to have another such program the same week next year, and to complete their county Sunday school organization by the beginning of the new Sunday school year, October 1.

Pastors, superintendents, teachers, others, cooperated in a great way, and we hereby express to one and all our very very sincerest thanks for everything that was done to make the week such a good one to so many people. About 700 people were reached in the week's work.

### ONLY NINE LEFT NOW

Just a few weeks ago there were 19 associations in the state that had not reported Sunday school training awards for this Sunday school year, which began last October 1.

Now, we are happy to report that ten of those have since reported, and that only nine have not reported at this time. These nine are: Clarke, Itawamba, DeSoto, Lafayette, Lamar, Marshall, Perry, Tallahatchie, and Tate.

We feel sure that all of these will report during this last quarter of the year. Let's make it 100 per cent again in this important matter.

### THREE NEW CHURCHES

"He Makes Me Sing," is the title of a new leaflet of three choruses by Mrs. Harold E. Ingraham, of Nashville, Tenn.

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### NOT TOO LATE BUT LATE

It is not yet too late to have that Vacation Bible school for this year, but it is getting late in a hurry now.

May, June, July, and August are the Vacation Bible school months, with a few coming in the latter part of April.

All that is left for us now is part of July and August. And August is out for many churches because the day schools begin in August in some sections of the state.

So, you better hurry and get in. It's not too late now, but the time is certainly passing rapidly. Have that school this year.

### GRADING MEANS MANY THINGS

Grading a Sunday school means many things, although at first thought we think only of having the people grouped by ages.

It is true that grading means age grouping, but it also means that more classes result, since grading removes overlapping in age range.

As we add more classes, we add more people and as we add more people, we are building bigger schools, which we should always try to do.

As we add more classes, we certainly provide for better work, since there are more teachers at the task. More classes, graded on the age basis, with teacher for all, are some basic points in building bigger and better schools.

Then, too, by proper grading we make it easier to reach the people, because we have classes for each group in a way that makes it far more congenial for them. Also, by thus giving definite responsibility, we can better win and develop the people, which, after all, is the main purpose of the entire program.

Not many things a school can do that will be more helpful in the long run than to maintain a well graded school throughout.

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### WAYSIDE COMPLETES VBS

A very successful Vacation Bible School was held at the Wayside Church, Vicksburg during the past week with closing exercises at the church on Friday night.

Department superintendents were: Mrs. Milton Hullum, Mrs. Edgar Sharp, Primary Department; Mrs. Carl Ratliff, Beginners; Miss Dixie Sharp served as secretary to the school.

Those serving on committees were: Mrs. A. H. Jones and Mrs. J. E. Rollison, refreshment committee; Mrs. Joe Scott and Corra Sullivan, transportation; John Bemer and Gordon Cotton, hand craft for boys.

The pastor, Rev. Mack Bemer served as principal. The youth retreat with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Irby and the pastor as leaders was held in the evenings.

## Truett Myers Joins Visual Aid Staff Of Sunday School Board



TRUETT MYERS

Truett Myers has been appointed visual aids associate in the Sales and Advertising Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee according to an announcement by George W. Card, secretary of the Sales and Advertising Department of the Board. Mr. Myers is a native of Lindale, Texas. He received his education in the College of Marshall (Texas), and the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary.

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REV. F. H. ROGERS, PASTOR OF the Soso Church, will assist Pastor J. W. Henry and the Furrs Church, Pontotoc County, in a revival the week of July 16. Mr. Rogers was ordained by the Furrs Church.

## New Zealander Leads Vicksburg

First Church, Vicksburg, where Dr. D. Swan Haworth serves as pastor engaged in a series of revival services, June 25-July 2. The visiting minister was Rev. E. F. Sherburd, pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle, Whangarei, New Zealand; and the song leader, W. C. Morgan of Jackson.

Mr. Sherburd is in the United States to attend the sessions of the Baptist World Alliance. He came six months ago and has visited a number of the states here in our country and spoken in a great many of our churches. Services were held in the Vicksburg church both morning and night and a radio program planned for every morning.

The pastor reports an unusually large attendance at the 7 o'clock services in the morning; breakfast followed this service. In spite of the hot weather good crowds were in attendance at all of the services.

There were 24 additions to the church during the week, 9 by baptism. Mr. Morgan, who directed the music, worked with the Vicksburg church for five years as Director of Music and Religious Education.

Joe G. Canzoneri has taken up his duties as assistant to the pastor. He will be supplying the pulpit during the remaining Sundays of July while the pastor is away on vacation.

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ACCORDING TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT by Rev. N. W. Carpenter, Jr., pastor of New Hope Church in Lawrence County, the annual revival meeting will begin on Sunday, July 16. The evangelist will be Rev. L. G. Chewning of Walker, La.

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## Sparks &amp; Splinters

**ROCKY CREEK CHURCH, GEORGE** County will send their pastor, Rev. J. B. Stewart, to the Baptist World Alliance meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, July 22.

**CRANE CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH** in Pearl River Association recently finished a week's revival in the Pearl River Simultaneous Effort. There were 11 additions during the meeting, 9 by profession of faith and 2 by letter. There were two more additions the Sunday following the close of the meeting. Rev. Freddie Brister of Terry, Miss. did the preaching. Rev. V. C. Patterson is pastor.

Rev. Glen Ross of Ft. Worth, Texas, will be the evangelist in the revival at Friendship Church, Lincoln County, beginning Sunday, July 16. The song leader for the revival will be Jim Travis, of New Orleans Seminary. Rev. E. A. Young is pastor.

**JUNE 23-30 FRIENDSHIP CHURCH** enjoyed the largest VBS in the history of the church with an average attendance of 94. A mission offering of \$13.26 was taken for the Cooperative Program. There were three conversions, and six rededications. Mrs. James Cupit served as principal of the school. Rev. E. A. Young is pastor.

**RIVER AVENUE CHURCH, HATTIESBURG**, Rev. Garland McInnis, pastor, has had twelve additions during the month of June. The church has made plans to send Mrs. George Maddox, pianist, to the music conference at Ridgeland, August 24-30. A Vacation Bible School is planned for July 16-21, with Mrs. Athens McNeil as principal. One of the church rooms is to be converted into a kitchen.

**AT ITS LAST MEETING THE BOLIVAR** County Pastors Conference adopted resolutions of appreciation concerning Dr. Charles Treadway who recently left Cleveland to accept the pastorate of the First Church, Columbia. The resolutions mentioned Dr. Treadway's untiring efforts for the cause of Christ in Bolivar County, his consecration and fine pastoral leadership.

**AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE** office of the Baptist Record were: Rev. L. Frank Campbell, Inverness; Mrs. James Yarbrough, Clinton; Rev. Mack Bomer, Vicksburg; A. Grey Edwardson, Edwards; Rev. Wyatt R. Hunter, McComb; Rose Parsons, Raymond; Rev. Earl Brooks, Hopewell; Rev. F. H. Rogers, Soso; Mrs. Elsie Mae Pittman, Jackson; Rev. W. W. Thornton, Magnolia; C. G. Bush, Pinola; Mary Frank Kirkpatrick, Noxapater; David C. Yang, Shanghai, China; Catherine Dennis, Yvonne Newell, Darleen Renick, Barbara Turner, Lynda Renick, and Rev. O. B. Renick, New Augusta; Rev. J. Ford Parker, Rev. C. M. Grayson, Magee; Rev. L. S. Polk, Jackson; Rev. Guy A. Little, Harrisville.

**DR. CHARLES MCKAY, PASTOR OF** the First Church, Pascagoula, is serving for two weeks on the Ridgeland staff. He was invited by J. N. Barnette, head of the southwide Sunday School work, to present the plan of rapid growth and progress made by the Pascagoula Church. First Church has organized and is now sponsoring four missions.

**THE PASTOR, REV. H. J. MCCOOL**, announces revival services at Mt. Pleasant Church in Mississippi Association beginning July 16 and closing July 21. The visiting preacher will be Rev. Fred B. Bookier, pastor of Central Church, McComb. Hosea Hancock will lead the singing. On the opening day services will be held in the morning and afternoon with dinner on the grounds.

**REV. J. T. TOLAR, PASTOR OF THE** Improve Church, did the preaching in a revival at Baxterville recently. Rev. J. C. Watts is the pastor. There were 16 additions, 14 by baptism, and several rededicated their lives.

**JACQUELINE HEWITT, OF JACKSON**, and a junior at Ole Miss, is serving on the Ridgeland staff this summer. She has been elected to serve as social vice-president on the BSU Council while she is there. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Purser Hewitt. Mr. Hewitt is the Managing Editor of the Clarion-Ledger, Jackson.

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**THE CROSS ROADS CHURCH IN** Tishomingo County, will hold its revival July 23-28. Rev. Gordon Sansing, pastor of the Davis Memorial Church, Jackson, will do the preaching. Rev. W. C. Gann is the pastor, and will be in charge of the singing.

**REV. H. J. MCCOOL ANNOUNCES** revival services at Ebenezer Church, Mississippi Association, July 23-28. Dr. W. A. Sullivan, pastor of the First Church, Natchez, and who is the direct descendant of Richard Curtis, founder of Ebenezer Church, will be the evangelist. On the opening day, services will be held in the morning and afternoon with dinner on the grounds.

**REV. H. J. PRITCHARD, OF DAL-** las, Texas, will assist Pastor R. B. Hicks in a Revival at Second Church, Calhoun City, beginning July 23. Mrs. Ora Pierce, the mother of Rev. H. J. Pritchard, will draw pictures to illustrate the sermons.

**THE MANY MISSISSIPPI FRIENDS** of Dr. James W. Middleton, pastor, of First Church, Atlanta will be interested to know that he was visiting minister with Dr. Herman Ihley and First Church of Ebbertown, Georgia, in a revival which resulted in 38 additions, 18 of these for baptism.

**THE ANNUAL REVIVAL MEETING** of the Vernon Baptist Church in Noxubee County is in progress this week. Rev. Joe Abrams of Shuqualak is doing the preaching while Bob Abrams of Shuqualak, son of the pastor, is leading the music.

**FAIRHAVEN, MASS.—(RNS)—ONLY** 47 out of 130 seniors at Fairhaven High School attended baccalaureate exercises in the Unitarian Memorial Church here. The Rev. Thomas Lyons, administrator of St. Joseph's R. C. Church, had protested against holding the exercises in the church and asked that they be transferred to a non-sectarian setting. The school committee rejected his protest. Father Lyons warned his parishioners that they could not participate in the exercise because of church law which bars Catholics from joining in the services of other faiths. Fifty of the 130 students in the graduating class are Catholics. (Editor's note: This is an example of Catholicism.)

## VALLEY PARK HAS VBS

Valley Park Church in Issaquena County, recently held a joint Vacation Bible School with the Methodist Church. Mrs. J. J. Hughes was the principal, P. M. Aden, is the Sunday School superintendent and Rev. G. E. Guntharp is the pastor.

There were 73 enrolled, with 11 enrolled in the adult class. The offering, which amounted to \$10.21 was designated for the Orphanage.

**RICHMOND, VIRGINIA—(BP)—** Southern Baptists have a new church in the Philippines, their first. It is a Chinese congregation located at Gaguio. Dr. Winston Crawley is pastor.

## Percy Ray To Lead Ridgeland Revival



REV. PERCY RAY

Rev. Percy Ray, Missionary of the Home Mission Board, will be the evangelist in the revival at Ridgeland Church July 20-30. Pastor W. E. Palmer, will lead the singing.

Plans for the revival began the first of March. Since that time two cottage prayer meetings have been held each week in preparation for the meeting.

Choirs of neighboring churches have been invited to the revival, with a different one designated for each night. Among those already contacted are: Van Winkle, Southside, Immanuel, all of Jackson; Byram, Hinds County, and East Side, Rankin County.

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## HEAR THE BAPTIST HOUR

Speaker: Dr. Forrest C. Fezoz.

Subject: "Rock or Sand?"

Stations: WLAU, Laurel—8:30 a. m.; WGCM, Gulfport; WMBC, Macon; WTOK, Meridian—2:30 p. m.; WMPB, Memphis.

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## HOSPITAL TRUSTEES HEAR ENCOURAGING REPORTS

According to Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, superintendent, the quarter, ending June 30 was the greatest in the history of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

Her report to the quarterly meeting of the trustees noted the following facts: patients admitted 3,449; births, 210; deaths, 74. Mrs. Gilfoy called attention to the fact that 48 new student nurses had been admitted during June and that 23 white and 7 colored nurses had graduated.

Trustees present were: Rev. C. M. Day, vice-chairman, J. S. Love, W. C. Hester, C. A. Barge, Will Jacobs, Mrs. J. A. Anderson and John Stone. Others present included J. T. Grantham, Executive Secretary and M. B. Ellsey, comptroller.

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## IMPROVE PLANS REVIVAL

Improve Church in Marion County will have a 10-day revival beginning July 19. Rev. J. Thomas Tolar will do the preaching. Rev. Jack Bilbo, pastor of Hurricane Creek Church, will direct the music.

Evening services will begin at 7:30. Morning services will be held during the second week at 10 o'clock.

## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

## PLEASANT VALLEY

Jimmy Yarbrough having resigned the pastorate of Pleasant Valley, in Simpson County, we had the pleasure of supplying for them.

Training Union workers take notice! The enrollment of the Pleasant Valley Training Union is 116. The attendance on the last Sunday was 152 and the Sunday before that 130. So far as we recall, this is the only church that has more people attending Training Union than are enrolled.

Since our last visit to Pleasant Valley in 1941 for a revival meeting, much progress has been made; but not because of our visit but because of some excellent work by those who have filled that position in the intervening years and equally excellent "fellowship" by the church members.

It was a pleasure to meet friends that were made in the years gone by and to see the progress made.

Record readers in Simpson County are now listed as follows: Antioch, 16; Athens, 1; Beulah, 65; Braxton, 48; Coats, 11; D'Lo, 3; Fork, 48; Goodwater, 23; Harrisville, 42; Jupiter, 25; Macedonia, 59; Magee, 232; Mendenhall, 113; Mt. Zion, 17; New Hope, 21; Oak Grove, 64; Palestine, 32; Pine Grove, 32; Pinola, 48; Pleasant Hill, 66; Pleasant Valley, 5; Poplar Springs, 45; Shivers, 31; Siloam, 31; Stonewall, 29; Strong River, 34; Holly Grove, 32.

## FAIR RIVER CHURCH

A prophet may be without honor, save in his own country, but Rev. James P. Brewer, pastor of Fair River Church in Lincoln County, is an exception to this rule. Reared not far from this community, he is now the full-time pastor at Fair River.

Since the church went full-time a few months ago, much progress has been made. We noticed that there were 73 present in Training Union out of an enrolment of 87. The prayer meeting averages approximately 100 each week. Plans are now being made for an additional building this fall.

While Pastor Brewer was away in a meeting we had the privilege of supplying for him.

Record readers in Lincoln County are now listed as follows: Arlington, 22; Bethel, 17; Big Springs, 29; Bogue Chitto, 52; Brookhaven, 699; Clear Branch, 24; Fair River, 56; Friendship, 55; Gum Grove, 41; Heucks Retreat, 54; Holly Springs, 27; Little Bahala, 39; Macedonia, 130; Mission Hill, 32; Montgomery, 54; Moak's Creek, 71; Mt. Moriah, 60; Mt. Pleasant, 56; Mt. Zion, 45; New Prospect, 74; New Sight, 58; Pearl Haven, 129; Philadelphia, 21; Pleasant Grove, 43; Pleasant Hill, 2; Ruth, 57; Topisaw, 1; Union, 3; Union Hall, 27; Wellman, 74.

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**REV. F. V. McFATRIDGE IS SCHED-** uled to hold the revival at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Scott County, beginning July 30. This will be his fourth revival in this church with the past ten years. Rev. Smith Sanders is pastor.

**REV. J. T. TOLAR DID THE PREACH-** ing in a 10-day revival at the Baxterville Church in Marion County recently. Rev. J. C. Watts is the pastor. There were 16 additions to the church, 14 by baptism, and several rededications.

## Rocky Creek Gets Auditorium, Pews

The Rocky Creek Church in George County recently received beautiful oak pews, communion table and pulpit furniture. The pulpit furniture was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Havard, by their children, and the communion table was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. William Dickerson by their children.

The pews, which are being purchased by the church, will be paid for with the proceeds of a project now in progress. Thirty acres have been planted in corn, which will be used to fatten hogs and cows that are donated by members of the church.

Rev. J. C. Pinson has completed a School of Music in the church. He will lead the singing in a revival August 6-13. Rev. Ernest Albritton, pastor of Plateau Church, Mobile, will do the preaching. On the closing Sunday of the meeting, dinner will be served on the grounds.

The Vacation Bible School recently enrolled 230.

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## PRC Has New BSU Secretary

Poplarville—Miss Emma Grace Ross, Pelahatchie, has succeeded Miss Dora Etta Solomon as Baptist Student Union secretary at Pearl River College, according to an announcement by R. D. McLendon, college president. Miss Solomon resigned effective July 1 to begin work leading toward the doctor's degree at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

Miss Ross, a 1949 graduate of Mississippi State College for Women, was awarded a Master of Religious Education degree by the WMU Training School, Louisville, Ky., in June of this year. During the summer of 1949 she was a worker for the Baptist Home Mission Board in Berkeley, California.

In addition to her duties at the college, Miss Ross is serving as secretary of the First Church.

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## White Sand Has VBS

White Sand Church, Jeff Davis Association, had their Vacation Bible School July 3-7 with an enrollment of 140. Miss Geraldine Parish was the principal.

Department superintendents were: Intermediate girls, Mrs. Thomas Burrow, boys, Will Fortenberry; Junior boys, Mrs. Cletis McNease, Junior girls, Mrs. Cowser Dole; Primary, Miss Ruth Stamps; Beginner, Mrs. Bill Booth.

On Friday all the pupils and workers enjoyed a picnic lunch after school hours.

Commencement was held July 9. Parents were invited to view their handiwork.

The offering was \$10.50 of which will go to the Baptist Orphanage.

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## STRENGTHFORD ORDAINS TWO AS DEACONS

The Strengthford Church in Wayne County recently ordained Dan Busby and Oscar Loper as deacons. Dr. O. L. Mosby, pastor, served as moderator and B. C. Arrington, deacon, as clerk. Rev. Pat Harper, pastor of Pleasant Grove Church, gave the report of the Examining Council.

The sermon was delivered by Rev. D. L. Harrison of Myrick Church. Mr. Harper gave the charge.



Shown above is the Mt. Moriah Church in Tishomingo County, which was built under the leadership of Pastor O. L. Butler. The church cost \$6,000 and provides six Sunday School rooms.

Mt. Moriah Church in Tishomingo County has made great progress under the pastorate of Rev. O. L. Butler, of Corinth.

Following a revival several months ago in which there were 38 professions of faith, the people voted to build a new edifice. After five months the building had been completed, occupied and was dedicated free of debt. The building is valued at \$6,000 and has six Sunday School rooms.

Speakers at the dedication service were: Rev. O. F. Butler, pastor; Rev. W. C. Gann, Rev. C. C. Perry, and Rev. E. E. Neill, associational missionary.

Other important steps made were including the Cooperative Program and Associational missions in the budget, going from half-time to full-time, and tripling the pastor's salary. The organizations have made great progress.

Three young men of the church have surrendered to the ministry; Charlie Neill; W. A. Rhodes, Jr., and Dee Ortnee. Three young ladies have also surrendered for definite services: Misses Mildred Sherrod, Jeanie Bonds, and Marjorie Vauter.

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## New Fellowship Revival Has Four Professions

In the revival July 2-9 at New Fellowship Church, Jasper County Association, there were four additions as candidates for baptism. Rev. L. B. Simmons of Clarke College, Newton was the evangelist, assisted by R. H. Fitzgerald, Meridian, pastor.

Plans are underway for the Vacation Bible School to begin July 17, under supervision of Miss Hettie Nell Wood of Bay Springs. The school will serve the young people of both Fellowship Baptist Churches.

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## Mountain Creek Closes VBS

Mountain Creek Church, Florence, closed its Vacation Bible School July 7. There were 41 enrolled.

Miss Eugenia Howell of Lucedale was principal and Mrs. Carl Dear served as general pianist. The department superintendents were: Mrs. Charles Holifield, Beginners; Miss Peggy Cox, Primary; Miss Fannie Welch, Juniors; Mrs. T. W. Barrow, Intermediates.

The ladies of the church provided refreshments each day.

Rev. Charles Holifield of Clinton is pastor.

## Satterwhite Accepts Rolling Fork Church



REV. D. D. SATTERWHITE

Rev. D. D. Satterwhite, pastor of the First Church, Houston, for the past six years has been called to the pastorate of the Rolling Fork church. He succeeds Rev. Van Hardin who recently accepted the pastorate of the Lucedale Church.

Mr. Satterwhite will begin his work at Rolling Fork on August 1. He came to Houston from the Harrisburg Church, Tupelo.

The Houston Church has made much progress under the leadership of Mr. Satterwhite. All the organizations have been strengthened and not least of his accomplishments was the adoption of the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record. He is now serving as a member of the Baptist Convention Board for Chickasaw County.

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## Fifteen Added In Coldwater Revival

Coldwater, July 9—The revival at Coldwater closed yesterday with 15 additions, nine by baptism. Rev. C. S. Cadwallader, of Dubach, La., did both the singing and preaching. He assisted at Duncan last year, during the Bolivar County Simultaneous Revival.

His expositions of the Book of James in the morning services were scholarly, thorough, and interesting. The attendance upon the day services was gratifying.

He is both song leader and soloist. Several people drove 160 miles from Duncan (round trip) to hear him again.

Rev. F. V. McFatrige is the Coldwater pastor.

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## Mt. Olive Designates VBS Offering For Orphanage

The Mount Olive Church closed a two week Vacation Bible School on July 7. There were 116 enrolled. According to the pastor, Rev. Joe W. Hudson, the school was the best in the history of the church.

The offering amounted to \$19.70 and was designated for the Baptist Orphanage.

record for the school period.

Glenn Merrill was the principal. The offering was designated for the work being promoted by Noxubee County Association among the Choctaws of this area.

Rev. R. D. Pearson is the pastor.

### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

July 17—Junior R. A. Camp, Districts 2 and 4, July 17-22; Woman's College Endowment Campaign.

July 18—Miss Betty Presson, Office Secretary, State BSU Department; Mrs. Charles M. Tolbert, Mississippi College staff, stration.

July 19—Mrs. Joe Clower, Riverside Associational WMU Young People's leader; Dr. D. Swan Haworth, Warren Associational Convention Board member.

July 20—Dr. Eugene Farr, Board of Ministerial Education; Miss Claire Tisdale, Dietician, Baptist Hospital.

July 21—Otis B. Ray, Wayne County Associational Brotherhood president; Miss Clara Etta Berry, Assistant Dean of Students, Blue Mountain College.

July 22—Rev. J. H. Street, Clarke College trustee; W. D. Edwards, Oktibbeha Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

July 23—Sam Wilder, Columbus Associational Training Union Director.

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## New Ireland Has VBS

Vacation Bible School closed at New Ireland Church with commencement exercises on June 23. The enrollment was 86.

Short talks were given during the school by Sam Gore, a recent graduate of High Museum School of Art, Atlanta, Ga. The mission offering, \$12, will go for the cooperative program.

Superintendents of the departments were: Mrs. Earl Gordon, Beginner; Mrs. Clyde Barfield, Primary; Mrs. Charles Ezell, Junior; Miss Helen McBeath, Intermediate.

Mrs. John E. Gore served as principal, Mrs. J. S. Henry, pianist; Miss Margie Bryant Song Leader; M. O. Barfoot is the Superintendent of the Sunday School. Rev. John E. Gore is the pastor.

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## Macon VBS Offering Assists Indian Work

The Vacation Bible School of First Church, Macon, has just closed, with 113 enrolled.

The department superintendents were: Mrs. Carl Simpson, Mrs. Luther Glenn, Miss Margie Martin, Mrs. W. F. McGuire and Miss Nancy Martin. The entire faculty of twenty-five, a large number of them being young people, had a very nearly perfect attendance